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Special points of interest:

- Programmers Move Back Upstairs.
- Motor Pool Gala Starts New Position as Support Service Coordinator at the DFO Public Safety Office.
- David Rees Named New Motor Pool Coordinator.
- CNG Training Classes Scheduled For More Info Call 801-538-3306.

Surplus Success... Public Safety Acquires Peacekeeper



The Special Services Squad from the Department of Public Safety stand in front of the recently refurbished armored personal carrier called a peacekeeper. Local businesses donated parts and labor to get the vehicle on the road.

The Department of Public Safety (DPS) has acquired an armored personnel carrier, called an Armadillo, through the Utah State Agency for Surplus Property/ Federal Property Program. Armadillo vehicles had been used to escort Peacekeeper Missiles prior to being offered through the Surplus Program, thus earning the nickname "Peacekeeper". DPS is one of three programs from the State of Utah to receive a Peacekeeper, which is something that Deputy Commissioner, Earl Morris, had thought was out of the departments reach.

"We paid \$2,000 for the vehicle itself, but had to pay \$10,000 to have it transported; so the total cost was approximately \$12,000. If you were to go out and buy one

[new], the [cost would be] well over \$100,000. There was no way that we would have that in our budget, so the only way that we could get one into our fleet was through the Surplus Property Program," Morris said.

Once DPS had completed the surplus registration process, it took Property Utilization Officer Dan Martinez about six months to locate and make arrangements for delivery of the vehicle. Martinez was able to locate the vehicle through the overseas program. The program is managed at the national level and has full-time utilization officers searching for property in military installations located throughout the world. This process is referred to as " property screening". When

a new list of screened property is completed, it is e-mailed to each State Surplus Property Program. In the event that a state agency or qualifying nonprofit organization has requested an item on the list, Continued page 3

Statistical Information Fiscal Year 2001

Total Value of Federal Property Supplied: \$28,200.00

Total Number of State **Property Invoices** Processed: 3543

Total Pieces of State Equipment Sold: 1251

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DFO Participates in U of U Study



Susan Bush takes emissions sample from a State Motor Pool Compressed Natural Gas Honda as part of a U. of U. study.

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The Division of Fleet Operations (DFO) participated in a study funded by the National Science Foundation which is designed to examine urban trace gas emissions. The group will be looking at quantities of carbon, carbon dioxide and methane particles in the Salt Lake Valley air during both winter and summer

months. Although this particular study is specific to the Salt Lake Valley, similar studies are being conducted in major cities across the United States. Susan Bush and Tina Jensen, who are students at the Uni-

versity of Utah working on the project, contacted DFO in an effort to locate vehicles that run on Compressed Natural Gas (CNG). They are gathering emission samples from the CNG vehicles as well as vehicles that run on regular unleaded gasoline and diesel fuel. They had hoped to gather

data from the few CNG vehicles assigned to the daily pool and possibly get information on other fleets that could be tested.

Fortunately, they contacted DFO in the middle of the yearly vehicle replacement cycle and that enabled them to gather emissions from the required number of vehicles in one stop. DFO was also able to provide the study with emissions from several bi-fuel vehicles and put the program in contact with local school districts and UTA to gather emissions from diesel buses compared to CNG buses.

The ultimate goal of this group is to use their findings to work with policy makers and city planners to improve air quality in the Salt Lake Valley. DFO Director, Steve Saltzgiver, is also very concerned with the pollution problems faced by residents of Salt Lake County, and was willing to assist the study in any way possible.

Surplus Property's Sam Wood Retires

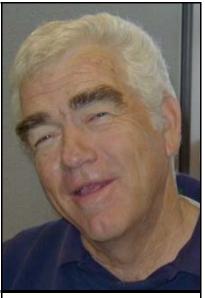
Surplus Property Utilization Office Sam Wood is retiring after 12 years of employment with the state. He was hired in 1987 as a property utilization officer for the federal program after Safeway Stores discontinued operations in Utah. Within a year he moved to the state surplus program and has remained ever since.

Wood feels that he has been lucky to work for State Surplus and has had many wonderful experiences during his time with the state.

"I've been able to meet a lot of people and I have seen a lot of the state while picking up surplused items from all of the state agencies," he said while adding that he will miss working with the great people behind the Surplus Property Program.

Wood claims that he has to retire because his hair had turned white and that is a sign that he has gotten old to work. However, one source tells me that he is being forced into retirement by his ever growing list of "honey do" projects at home; while some believe that Sam Wood decided to join the PGA tour.

Whatever the truth may be, DFO wishes him fun and good health in his many new adventures.



As Sam Wood prepares to retire his co-works wonder what they will do without him

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April Incentive Awards



Kelly Kay hopes that Traveling Gus won't want to spend the whole month resting a top her head. She says it makes her feel a little unbalanced.

The adventures of Traveling es Gus will continue next month; who will get the award, what will they do to deserve it...only

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sure.

The Incentive Award Committee would like to welcome it's newest member, Al Orwin. He is joining the committee and will represent the Operations Team. He is the first male member, which should bring a new perspective to the group. As part of his first awards meeting, Orwin helped recognize several Division of Fleet Operations (DFO) employees.

Recognition Awards

Karen Kraus, from the Fuel Network, was given a "pat on the back" for her willingness to accept a larger workload during the Olympics. This allowed Kathryn Anderson a chance to be an Olympic volunteer. So, with

her efforts she not only helped the Fuel Network, she also helped the world. Good job!

A complimentary letter was sent to DFO regarding Glen Wright's customer service, resulting in a Recognition Award. Congratulations!

Extra Mile Awards

Paul Ferguson was honored with an Extra Mile Award for all that he has done, and continues to do, while Angie Watson cares for her new baby. Not only has he continued to handle his own duties, but he has also tackled Watson's duties, covered for others who have taken time off and helped in the development of a new equipment tracking system to be used with Public Safety vehicles. Way to go!

Gus Cansino was recognized for his ability to assist Spanish speaking customers that visit the State Surplus Property Program. Without Cansino's bilingual skills, the Surplus Program would not have the high customer service standards that many customers have come to expect. Thank you for all of your hard work.

The employees of the State and Federal Surplus Property were given Team Extra Mile Awards for their efforts in dealing with Olympic surplus. Their boss, David Regan, wanted his team to know how much he appreciated their hard work during the past few weeks. The Incentive Committee would also like to say; Thanks for a job well done!

Traveling Gus Award

After many months swimming around the Draper office, Traveling Gus has swam upstream to the State Office Building and was given to Kelly Kay. Al Orwin awarded Kay with the brightly colored fish award due to her continuous search for play in the workplace. Orwin stated that she is "like a ray of sunshine every time she enters the office" and said that he has forgiven her for sending him a faulty toy. The adventures of Traveling Gus will continue next month; who will get the award, what will they do to deserve it... only Kay knows.

Starfish Award

No one was nominated for the Starfish Award this past month. The committee hopes to give someone this award next month.

Congratulations to all of this month's award winners and everyone is encouraged to nominate someone for an award next month. Just fill-out and submit an Incentive Nomination Form.

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utilization officers at the state level will begin the acquisition process.

In-kind donations from anonymous local businesses, refurbished the peacekeeper once it had arrived in Salt Lake City. Improvements to the vehicle included a new Chevy big block engine, bullet resistant tires, a lift kit, ladders, paint, lights and mirrors. In addition, several items were added to make the vehicle useable by the urban special services program or SWAT team;

such as a hydraulic ram, remote control spotlights, full strobe bar light across the top, extended bumpers and side rails.

"That peacekeeper was made specifically for a SWAT team. Again, there was absolutely no way in the world that we could have gone down and bought one of those machines brand new, it just wasn't in our budget. Also, even if we had bought one, with the military specifications, it would not fit the needs of a SWAT team," Morris said. "With just a little innovation and some help from the com-

munity, we paid \$12,000 and now we have a \$150,000 piece of equipment."

DPS plans to use the vehicle in riot and hostage situations as well as for officer and/or civilian rescue missions.

Lt. Todd Peterson from Special Forces said, "We are excited to have it. We hope to be able to utilize it, but then again sometimes we hope that isn't the case. Because if this thing comes out, it means things are pretty bad."